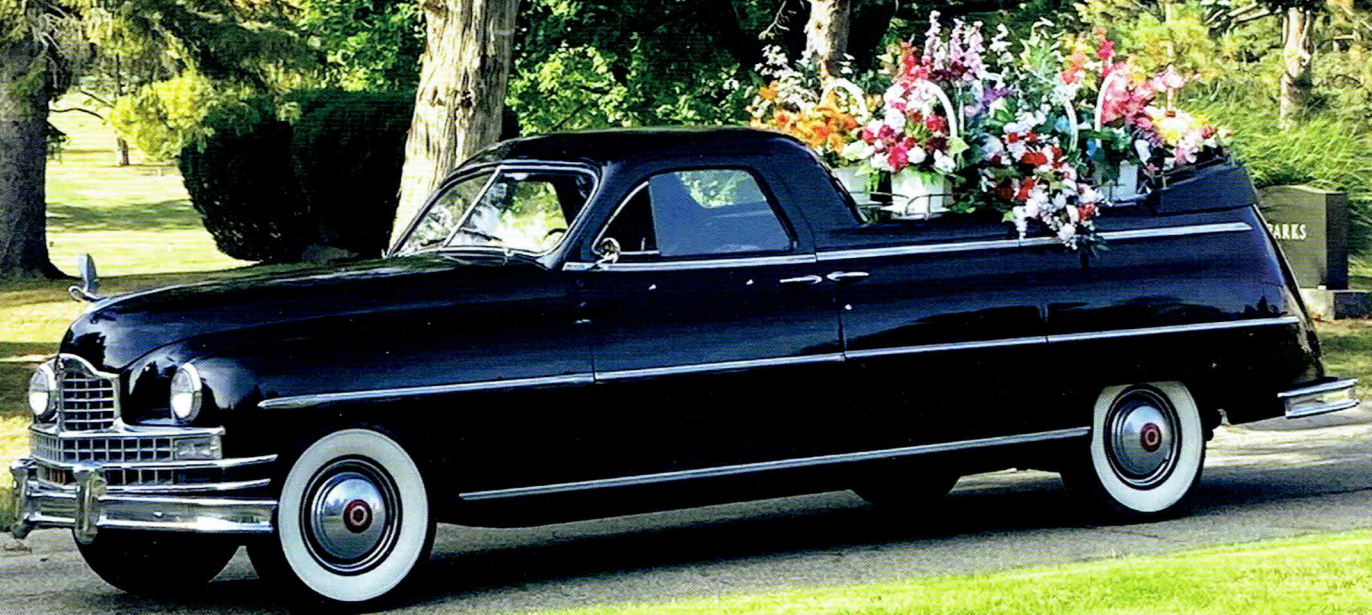


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**COVER PHOTOS** – Up until recently, the list of cars owned by PCS members in our club roster included just one 1950 Henney Packard flower car – the one long-owned by Maryland member George Hamlin and a veteran of many PCS meets over the years. Now there are two! Last year, PCS member Dr. Dennis Lloyd of Flushing, Michigan acquired a nearly identical 23rd Series Henney Packard “flowerpot” which is the subject of the main feature in this issue. The nicely illustrated article about this car has two authors – Dr. Lloyd and fellow Michigan PCS member Brady Smith. This stunning automobile graces the **FRONT** and **BACK COVERS** and also the **CENTER-STRETCH** of this issue. All three of these breathtaking photographs were taken by Brady Smith.

**EDITOR’S MESSAGE** – Are you up for a challenge? In the 1950s, *Mortuary Management* regularly featured a montage of small photos of antique and vintage hearses and ambulances on the covers of its annual New Cars issue. We’re reproducing three of them in this issue, starting on Page 26. How many of the vehicles can you identify? The Cadillac commercial chassis ad with the industry’s 1960 offerings is self-explanatory. The covers are from our own personal collection of old funeral service trade journals. Have fun and good luck.

**NEXT UP** – a comprehensive report in words and photos of our 46<sup>th</sup> PCS International Meet in Morgantown, Pennsylvania by our publicity chair Gregg Merksamer. Have a great summer.

– Walt McCall - Editor